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## **CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION**

**Docket No. CPSC-2010-0046** 

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request;

**Consumer Focus Groups** 

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) requests comments on a proposed extension of approval of a collection of information from persons who may voluntarily participate in consumer focus groups. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) previously approved the collection of information under control number 3041-0136. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on August 31, 2017. The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by [insert date 60 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CPSC-2010-0046, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments to the Federal eRulemaking

Portal at: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. The

Commission does not accept comments submitted by electronic mail (e-mail), except through

www.regulations.gov. The Commission encourages you to submit electronic comments by using

the Federal eRulemaking Portal, as described above.

Written Submissions: Submit written submissions in the following way: mail/hand

delivery/courier to: Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Room 820,

4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504-7923.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket

number for this notice. All comments received may be posted without change, including any

personal identifiers, contact information, or other personal information provided, to:

http://www.regulations.gov. Do not submit confidential business information, trade secret

information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to

the public. If furnished at all, such information should be submitted in writing.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received,

go to: http://www.regulations.gov, and insert the docket number, CPSC-2010-0046, into the

"Search" box, and follow the prompts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charu S. Krishnan, Consumer Product

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mail to: ckrishnan@cpsc.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CPSC seeks to renew the following currently

approved collection of information:

**Title:** Consumer Focus Groups

**OMB Number:** 3041-0136

**Type of Review:** Renewal of collection

Frequency of Response: On occasion

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**Affected Public:** Consumers

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 650 participants

**Estimated Time per Response:** 3 hours

**Total Estimated Annual Burden:** 1,950 hours (650 participants x 3 hours)

**General Description of Collection:** Section 5(a) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA),

15 U.S.C. 2054(a), authorizes the Commission to conduct studies and investigations relating to

the causes and prevention of deaths, accidents, injuries, illnesses, other health impairments, and

economic losses associated with consumer products. Section 5(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C.

2054(b), further provides that the Commission may conduct research, studies and investigations

on the safety of consumer products or test consumer products and develop product safety test

methods and testing devices.

To help identify and evaluate product-related incidents, Commission staff invites and

obtains direct feedback from consumers on issues related to product safety, such as recall

effectiveness, product use, and perceptions regarding safety issues. The information that the

CPSC collects from future focus groups will help inform the Commission's identification and

evaluation of consumer products and product use, by providing insight and information into

consumer perceptions and usage patterns. In some cases, one-on-one interviews may be

conducted as a more in-depth extension of a focus group or in place of a traditional focus group.

This information may also assist the Commission in its efforts to support voluntary standards

activities and help CPSC identify consumer safety issues requiring additional research. In

addition, based on the information obtained, CPSC may be able to provide safety information to

the public that is easier to read and understood by a wider range of consumers.

**B.** Request for Comments

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The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the

proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to

the following topics:

• Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper

performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information would

have practical utility;

• Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate;

• Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be

enhanced; and

Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use

of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of

information technology.

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Acting Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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